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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Bill 649

Relating to: the registration of electors on election day and the determination of eligible electors in certain municipalities on election day.

By Representatives Ladwig, Goetsch, Hundertmark, Musser, Nass, Owens, Stone, Suder, Sykora and Urban; cosponsored by Senators Huelsman, Darling, Farrow, Roessler, Schultz and Welch.

January 11, 2000

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

February 2, 2000

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

(9)

Present:

Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Appearances for

• Rep. Bonnie Ladwig, Author

Appearances against

• Joe Parisi, Dane Co. Clerk

Appearances for Information Only

• None.

Registrations for

None.

Registrations against

None.

February 2, 2000

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Moved by Representative Montgomery, seconded by Representative Ladwig, that **Assembly Bill 649** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (5) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery and Ladwig.

Noes: (4) Representatives Travis, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman.

Absent: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 4, Absent 0

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Bill 682

Relating to: the composition of county boards of canvassers in certain counties. By Representatives Grothman, M. Lehman, Ott, Kestell, Leibham, Ladwig, Pettis, Stone, Olsen, Albers, Hahn, Spillner, Gronemus, Huber, Plouff, Miller and Vrakas; cosponsored by Senators Baumgart, Huelsman, Roessler, Schultz, Darling and Farrow.

February 1, 2000

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

February 16, 2000

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

(8)

Present:

Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman.

Absent/Excused:

(1) Representative Ladwig.

Appearances for

· Rep. Glenn Grothman, Author

Appearances against

None.

Appearances for Information Only

• None.

Registrations for

• Sen. James Baumgart, Senate Lead Author

Registrations against

• None.

March 1, 2000

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Moved by Representative Ladwig, seconded by Representative Sherman, that **Assembly Bill 682** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Noes: (0) None. Absent: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 9, Noes 0, Absent 0

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Bill 700

Relating to: various changes in the election laws; requiring a referendum; and providing penalties.

By the Committee on Campaigns and Elections.

February 1, 2000

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

February 2, 2000

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Appearances for

• None.

Appearances against

• None.

Appearances for Information Only

Kevin Kennedy, Exec. Director State Elections Board

Registrations for

• None.

Registrations against

• None.

February 2, 2000

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Moved by Representative Miller, seconded by Representative Walker, that **Assembly Amendment 1** be recommended for introduction and adoption.

Ayes: (9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Noes: (0) None. Absent: (0) None.

INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 9, Noes 0, Absent 0

Moved by Representative Walker, seconded by Representative Montgomery, that **Assembly Bill 700** be recommended for passage as amended.

Ayes: (9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,
Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman.

Noes: (0) None. Absent: (0) None.

PASSAGE AS AMENDED RECOMMENDED, Ayes 9, Noes 0, Absent 0

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Bill 701

Relating to: various changes in the election laws; granting rule-making authority; and providing penalties.

By the Committee on Campaigns and Elections.

February 1, 2000

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

February 2, 2000

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Appearances for

• None.

Appearances against

• Mike McCabe, WI Democracy Campaign

Appearances for Information Only

- Kevin Kennedy, Exec. Director, State Elections Board
- Jay Heck, Exec. Director, Common Cause in WI

Registrations for

• None.

Registrations against

None.

February 2, 2000

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present: (9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent: (0) None.

Moved by Representative Suder, seconded by Representative Ladwig, that **Assembly Amendment 1** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes:

(1) Representative Suder.

Noes:

(8) Representatives Freese, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Absent: (0) None.

ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 1, Noes 8, Absent 0

Moved by Representative Walker, seconded by Representative Sherman, that Assembly Amendment 2 be recommended for adoption.

Ayes:

(0) None.

Noes:

(0) None.

Absent: (0) None.

ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 0, Noes 0, Absent 0

Unanimous consent request by Representative Freese, that Assembly Amendment 2 be TABLED

Ayes:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Noes:

(0) None.

Absent: (0) None.

UNANIMOUS REQUEST TO TABLE THE AMENDMENT RECOMMENDED, Ayes 9, Noes 0, Absent

Moved by Representative Ladwig, seconded by Representative Walker, that **Assembly Bill 701** be recommended for passage.

Ayes:

(6) Representatives Freese, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis and Sherman.

Noes:

(3) Representatives Suder, Cullen and Miller.

Absent: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 6, Noes 3, Absent 0

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Bill 854

Relating to: the date of the presidential preference primary.

By Representatives Bock, Freese, Klusman, Musser, Black, Ziegelbauer, Cullen, Kreuser, Krug, Boyle, Gunderson, Ladwig, Plale, Ryba, Staskunas and Plouff; cosponsored by Senators Wirch, Farrow and Rosenzweig.

March 8, 2000

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

March 28, 2000

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

(8)

Present:

Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman.

Absent:

(1) Representative Travis.

Appearances for

• Rep. Peter Bock, Author

Appearances against

None.

Appearances for Information Only

Marc Gumz, PO Box 204, Endeavor 53930

Registrations for

• Rep. Scott Walker

Registrations against

• None.

March 28, 2000

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Moved by Representative Walker, seconded by Representative Sherman, that **Assembly Bill 854** be recommended for passage.

Ayes: (9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Noes: (0) None. Absent: (0) None.

PASSAGE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 9, Noes 0, Absent 0

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Bill 893

Relating to: the date of the presidential preference primary, authorizing the state elections board to change the date of the presidential preference primary, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures and granting rule-making authority.

By Representative Walker.

March 20, 2000

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

March 28, 2000

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

(8)

Present:

Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman.

Absent:

(1) Representative Travis.

Appearances for

• Rep. Scott Walker, Author

Appearances against

• None.

Appearances for Information Only

None.

Registrations for

• None.

Registrations against

• None.

March 30, 2000

Failed to pass pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Joint Resolution 20

Relating to: reasonable limits on state or local campaign expenditures (first consideration).

By Representatives Carpenter, Bock, Wasserman, Ryba, La Fave, Meyer, Riley, Black and Boyle; cosponsored by Senators Erpenbach, Baumgart, George and Wirch.

February 16, 1999

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

February 24, 1999

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Appearances for

• None.

Appearances against

• None.

Appearances for Information Only

• None.

Registrations for

• None.

Registrations against

• None.

March 17, 1999

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Appearances for

Rep. Tim Carpenter, Author

Appearances against

• Sue Armacost, WI Right to Life

Appearances for Information Only

• None.

Registrations for

- Sen. Jon Erpenbach, Senate lead sponsor
- Rev. Sue Moline Larson, Lutheran Office for Public Policy in WI

Registrations against

• None.

March 30, 2000

Failed to adopt pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Joint Resolution 33

Relating to: elections at which referenda may be held (first consideration).

By Representatives Gundrum, Ladwig, F. Lasee, Kelso, Hoven, Grothman, Albers, Stone, Skindrud and Seratti; cosponsored by Senators Drzewiecki, Huelsman, Schultz, Welch, Lazich and Darling.

March 16, 1999

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

April 28, 1999

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Appearances for

- Rep. Mark Gundrum, Author
- Rep. Rick Skindrud
- Tim Seider, Mayor of Greenfield, WI
- Frank Kirschbraun, West Allis Taxpayers Assn. and the Federation of WI Taxpayer Organizations
- Donald Kristopeit, Federation of WI Taxpayer Organizations
- Michael M. Birkley, WI Property Taxpayers, Inc.

Appearances against

• None.

Appearances for Information Only

• None.

Registrations for

- Sen. Gary Drzewiecki, Lead Senate Sponsor
- Joan Hansen, WI Manufacturers & Commerce

Registrations against

- Jack O'Meara, WI Education Assoc. Council
- Joanne Ricca, WI State AFL-CIO
- Jennifer Kammerud, School Administrators Alliance

May 11, 1999 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Present: (8) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman.

Absent: (1) Representative Travis.

Moved by Representative Ladwig, seconded by Representative Montgomery, that **Assembly Joint Resolution 33** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (5) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery and Ladwig.

Noes: (3) Representatives Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Absent: (1) Representative Travis.

ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 3, Absent 1

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Joint Resolution 46

Relating to: limiting the number of consecutive terms permitted for governors (first consideration).

By Representatives Bock, Handrick, Meyer, Ziegelbauer, Grothman, Sinicki, Staskunas, Black, Wasserman and Berceau; cosponsored by Senators Baumgart, Welch, Burke and Jauch.

April 22, 1999

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

June 3, 1999

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

(9)

Present:

Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Appearances for

• Rep. Peter Bock, Author

Appearances against

None.

Appearances for Information Only

• None.

Registrations for

• None.

Registrations against

None.

March 30, 2000

Failed to adopt pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Assembly Joint Resolution 92

Relating to: establishment of a rotating regional presidential primary system. By Representatives Walker, Staskunas, Stone, Hahn, Spillner, Plouff, Albers, Lassa, Olsen, Travis, J. Lehman, Kreibich, Pettis and Duff; cosponsored by Senator Darling.

November 5, 1999 Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

January 27, 2000 PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present: (8) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Absent: (1) Representative Ladwig. Excused

Appearances for

None.

Appearances against

• None.

Appearances for Information Only

None.

Registrations for

None.

Registrations against

• None.

February 16, 2000 **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Present: (8) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman.

Absent: (1) Representative Ladwig. Excused

Moved by Representative Montgomery, seconded by Representative Walker, that **Assembly Joint Resolution 92** be recommended for adoption.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Noes: (0) None.

Absent: (1) Representative Ladwig. Excused

ADOPTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 8, Noes 0, Absent 1

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Clearinghouse Rule 99-077

Relating to filing campaign finance reports in electronic format. Submitted by the Elections Board.

June 8, 1999

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

July 8, 1999

NO ACTION TAKEN

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Clearinghouse Rule 99-137

Relating to electronic voting. Submitted by the Elections Board.

December 13, 1999 Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

January 12, 2000 NO ACTION TAKEN

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Clearinghouse Rule 99-150

Relating to express advocacy. Submitted by the Elections Board.

December 30, 1999

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

January 27, 2000

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

(8)

Present:

Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman.

Absent:

(1)

Representative Ladwig. Excused

Appearances for

None.

Appearances against

None.

Appearances for Information Only

None.

Registrations for

None.

Registrations against

None.

February 16, 2000

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present:

Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, (8)

Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman.

Absent:

Representative Ladwig. Excused (1)

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Cullen, that Clearinghouse Rule 99-150 be recommended for objection.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman.

Noes: (0) None.

Absent: (1) Representative Ladwig. Excused

OBJECTION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 8, Noes 0, Absent 1

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Record of Committee Proceedings

Committee on Campaigns and Elections

LRB 3475/1 Relating to: making various changes in election laws. Significant provisions include the items enumerated below.

September 21, 1999 Public Hearing and Executive Session. The Committee met to discuss and develop a possible campaign finance reform proposal. The committee will work with Legislative Council Staff, Legislative Reference Bureau Staff and Elections Board Staff to establish the parameters and general content of a campaign finance reform proposal to be introduced by the Committee. The committee may take votes on various aspects of the proposal throughout the course of the meeting in order to determine drafting instructions and prepare the proposal for introduction. Public testimony was not received at this meeting.

Present: (9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances for Information on LRB 3475/1

◆ Keyin Kennedy, Executive Director, State Elections Board

LRB 3475/1

Item 1 Voting absentee

Moved by representative Freese, seconded by Representative Miller that Item 1 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Freese, Suder Walker, Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (1) Representative Ladwig

Item 2 Transmittal of absentee ballots by facsimile transmission

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Miller that Item 2 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,
Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 3 Authentication of absentee ballots

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 3 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker, Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 4 Substantiation of voter registration information

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 4 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker, Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 5 Late voter registration

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Miller that Item 5 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,
Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 6 Location of polling places

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 6 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,
Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 7 Report on impediments of voting

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Miller that Item 7 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Freese, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (1) Representative Suder

Item 8 Voting by children of overseas electors

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 8 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker, Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 9 Depositing ballots into ballot boxes

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 9 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,
Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 10 Election of committeemen or committeewomen

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 10 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker, Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 11 Observation at polling places

Unanimous request by Representative Freese to amend item 11 to allow the polling place inspector the authority to limit the number of observers allowed in the polling place at any given time. Without objection, Item 11 is amended.

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 11 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker, Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 12 Presidential ballots

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 12 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (2) Representatives Travis and Cullen

Item 13 Partisan primary and election ballots

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 13 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 14 Electronic poll lists

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Miller that Item 14 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 15 Reporting election returns by ward

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 15 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (8) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (1) Representative Travis

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Present: (9) Representatives Freese, Suder,

Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis

Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Absent: (0) None.

Appearances for Information on LRB 3475/1

♦ Kevin Kennedy, Executive Director, State Elections Board

LRB 3475/1

Item 16 Affidavits relating to nomination papers and petitions

Item 16 was set aside by unanimous consent.

Item 17 Canvass of elections by designees

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 17 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 18 Enforcement of campaign finance law by Milwaukee County board of election commissioners

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 18 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Item 18 votes:

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder,

Walker, Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen,

Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 19 Administration of elections for joint municipal judges

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 19 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 20 Consolidated paper ballots

Unanimous request by Representative Freese to amend item 20 to allow consolidated paper ballots whether the polling place uses electronic voting system or not. Without objection, Item 20 is amended.

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 20 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 21 Filing of referendum questions

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 21 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 22 Ballot design requirements

Moved by Representative Montgomery, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 22 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 23 Appeal of recount determinations to circuit court

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 23 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,
Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 24 Delivery of recount documents

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 24 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,
Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 25 Minutes of recount proceedings

Unanimous request by Representative Freese to amend Item 25 to allow copies of the minutes be mailed to the parties affected by the recount as well as to the state elections board. Without objection, Item 25 is amended.

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 25 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,
Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 26 Time for a hearing on recount appeals

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 26 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,
Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 27 Payment of polling place rental charges

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 27 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,
Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller
and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 28 Photographing and videotaping polling places

Item 28 was set aside by unanimous consent.

Item 29 Dates for publication of certain notcies

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 29 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 30 Appointment of special voting deputies

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 30 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 31 Composition of county boards of canvassers

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 31 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 32 Temporary vacancies on certain boards of canvassers

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 32 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (9) Representative Freese, Suder, Walker,

Mongomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

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Committee on Campaigns and Elections

LRB 3592/4 Relating to: various changes in the campaign finance law.

October 13, 1999 Public Hearing and Executive Session. The Committee met to discuss and develop a possible campaign finance reform proposal. The committee will work with Legislative Council Staff, Legislative Reference Bureau Staff and Elections Board Staff to establish the parameters and general content of a campaign finance reform proposal to be introduced by the Committee. The committee may take votes on various aspects of the proposal throughout the course of the meeting in order to determine drafting instructions and prepare the proposal for introduction. Public testimony was not received at this meeting.

Present: (9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Absent/Excused: (2) Representatives Ladwig and Travis

LRB 3592/4

Item 33 Filing of campaign finance reports

Moved by Representative Montgomery, seconded by Representative Miller that Item 33 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (6) Representatives Freese, Walker, Montgomery, Cullen, Miller, Sherman

Noes: (1) Representative Suder

Absent/Excused: (2) Representatives Ladwig and Travis

Item 34 Registration and reporting by certain federal and nonresident registrants

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 34 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Item 34 continued

Absent/Excused: (2) Representatives Ladwig and Travis

Item 34A Certain exceptions to reporting requirement

By unanimous consent, Item 34A was added to the comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Item 35 Exemption from reporting

By unanimous consent, Item 35 was tabled.

Item 36 Contribution Limitations

By unanimous consent, Item 36 was set aside.

Item 37 Acceptance of unlawful contributions

Moved by Representative Montgomery, seconded by Representative Sherman that Item 37 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Absent/Excused: (2) Representatives Ladwig and Travis

Item 37A Forfeiture for accepting unlawful contributions

Moved by Representative Sherman, seconded by Representative Montgomery to amend Item 37A to state that the registrant is subject to a forfeiture up to 125% of the amount or value of the unlawful contribution or portion thereof that is unlawfully contributed. Item 37A is further amended to delete that section which withdraws authority for the elections board to compromise and settle any action or proposed action based on a violation that is punishable under this penalty provision for less than the amount of the penalty prescribed under the provision.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Absent/Excused: (2) Representatives Ladwig and Travis

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Montgomery that Item 37A as amended by included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Item 37A continued

Noes: (0) None

Absent/Excused: (2) Representatives Ladwig and

Travis

Item 38 Reporting of incurred obligations

By unanimous consent, Item 38 was set aside.

Item 39 Public grants

Moved by Representative Montgomery, seconded by Representative Miller that Item 39 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (0) None

Absent/Excused: (2) Representatives Ladwig and Travis

Item 39 A Public grant monies revert to the state after the date of an election in which a candidate participates

Moved by Representative Montgomery, seconded by Representative Suder that Item 39A be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (5) Representatives Freese, Suder, Montgomery, Cullen and Miller

Noes: (2) Representatives Walker and Sherman

Absent/Excused: (2) Representatives Ladwig and Travis

Item 40 Biennial review of campaign finance practices

By unanimous consent, Item 40 is amended to delete the portion that allows the elections board to assess whether a bipartisan committee should be created to provide for additional study of issues and recommendations for possible additional legislative changes.

Moved by Representative Montgomery, seconded by Representative Freese that Item 40 as amended be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (6) Representatives Freese, Walker, Montgomery, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (1) Representatives Suder

Absent/Excused: (2) Representatives Ladwig and Travis

Item 41 Assembly Bill 215 relating to Prohibition of political contributions by foreign nationals and providing a penalty.

By unanimous consent the language of AB 215 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Item 42 Assembly Bill 337 relating to payment and amounts of fees for recounts of elections.

By unanimous consent the language of AB 337 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Item 43 Assembly Bill 343 as amended, relating to authorization for electors who are victims of domestic abuse to be listed confidentially on poll and registration lists and providing penalties

By unanimous consent the language of AB 343 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Item 44 Assembly Bill 363 relating to the composition of municipal boards of canvassers in certain municipalities.

By unanimous consent the language of AB 363 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

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Committee on Campaigns and Elections

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Present: (9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis,
Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Absent: (0) None

Item 45 Spending Limit for Supreme Court Election

Moved by Representative Sherman, seconded by Representative Walker that the spending limit for a Supreme Court candidate be established at \$400,000 with 50% of the spending limit (\$200,000) funded by the WCEF grant.

Moved by Representative Miller, seconded by Representative Cullen that the grant portion is set at 66%. Motion failed on a vote of 1 Aye and 8 Noes. (Representative Miller voting in favor).

Moved by Representative Sherman, seconded by Representative Walker that Item 45, spending limit for Supreme Court candidates be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal. Motion carried.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Freese, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (1) Representative Suder

Item 46 Spending Limits established for Gubernatorial Candidates

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Sherman that spending limits for the office of Governor be established at \$2,500,000 and that Item 46 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal. Motion carried

Ayes: (8) Representatives Freese, Walker, Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and

Sherman

Noes: (1) Representative Suder

Item 47 Spending Limits Established for Lt. Governor and Attorney General

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Miller that spending limits for the office of Lt. Governor and Attorney General be established at \$400,000 and that Item 47 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal. Motion carried.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Freese, Walker, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (2) Representatives Suder, Montgomery

Item 48 Spending Limits Established for State Constitutional Officers

Moved by Representative Walker, seconded by Representative Montgomery that spending limits for the offices of all State Constitutional Officers be established at \$250,000 and that Item 48 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Moved by Representative Cullen, seconded by Representative Montgomery that the spending limit for the office of Superintendent of Public Instruction be established at \$250,000 and the spending limits for the offices of Secretary of State and State Treasure be established at \$100,000. Motion carried.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Freese, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (1) Representative Suder

Motion to add Item 48 as amended was renewed and carried.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Freese, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (1) Representative Suder

Item 49 Spending Limits established for State Senate and Assembly

Moved by Representative Sherman, seconded by Representative Walker that spending limits for the offices of State Senate and Assembly be established at \$70,000 and \$35,000 respectively and that Item 48 be included in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Ayes: (8) Representatives Freese, Walker, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (1) Representative Suder

Item 50 Establish WCEF grant qualifications

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that Item 50 establish the WCEF grant qualifications as follows: the candidate must raise 10% of the spending limit; 50% of the amount raised must come from the counties in the legislative district for which office is being sought; and the balance from within the state. For statewide office 100% of the money raised must be from within the state. WCEF Grant recipients must achieve 6% of the primary vote in order to qualify. Include Item 50 in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal.

Moved by Representative Sherman, seconded by Representative Miller that all-statewide candidates raise 10% of the spending limit in their respective campaigns with the exception of gubernatorial candidates who shall raise 5%. Motion carried

Ayes: (6) Representatives Freese, Suder, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (2) Representatives Montgomery and Ladwig

Not voting: (1) Representative Walker

Motion to include Item 50 in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal as amended. Motion carried.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Freese, Suder, Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (1) Representatives Cullen

Not voting: (1) Representative Walker

Item 51 Include a cost of living escalator for spending limits

Moved by Representative Miller, seconded by Representative Sherman to include a cost of living escalator in the calculation for spending limits as Item 51 in a comprehensive campaign and elections reform proposal. Motion carried.

Ayes: (7) Representatives Freese, Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

Noes: (2) Representatives Suder and Ladwig

Not voting: (1) Representative Walker

Establish the political party contribution at 60% for all offices

Moved by Representative Freese, seconded by Representative Ladwig that the portion of the spending limits for a candidate contributed by a political party is established at 60% of the total amount required to be raised. Motion carried.

Representatives Freese, Suder, Montgomery, Ayes: (8) Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman

None Noes: (0)

Not voting:

Representative Walker (1)

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Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Senate Bill 42

Relating to: qualifications for absentee voting.

By Senators Risser, Robson, Burke, Rude, George, Plache, Welch, A. Lasee, Shibilski, Jauch and Clausing; cosponsored by Representatives M. Lehman, Krug, Bock, Grothman, Urban, Ziegelbauer, Spillner, Black, Cullen, Schooff, Plouff, Plale, J. Lehman, Musser, Meyer, Turner, Colon, Travis, Hasenohrl, Wasserman, Olsen and Duff.

April 22, 1999

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

June 3, 1999

PUBLIC HEARING HELD

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Appearances for

• Joe Parisi, Dane County Clerk

Appearances against

None.

Appearances for Information Only

• None.

Registrations for

- Dextra Hadnot, City of Milwaukee
- Jack O'Meara, WI Education Association Council
- Sen. Fred Risser, Author

Registrations against

• None.

September 1, 1999 EXECUTIVE SESSION

Present:

(9) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker,

Montgomery, Ladwig, Travis, Cullen, Miller

and Sherman.

Absent:

(0) None.

Moved by Representative Montgomery, seconded by Representative Miller, that **Senate Bill 42** be recommended for concurrence.

Ayes:

(8) Representatives Freese, Suder, Walker, Montgomery, Travis, Cullen, Miller and Sherman.

Noes: (

(1) Representative Ladwig.

Absent: (0) None.

CONCURRENCE RECOMMENDED, Ayes 8, Noes 1, Absent 0

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Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Senate Bill 190

Relating to: campaign financing, imposition of a lobbying expenditure tax, providing exemptions from emergency rule procedures, granting rule-making authority, making appropriations and providing penalties.

By the Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Resources and Campaign Finance Reform.

March 16, 2000

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

March 30, 2000

Failed to concur in pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

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Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Senate Bill 227

Relating to: certification by electors who render assistance in voting at polling places.

By Senators Breske, George, Darling, Burke and Schultz; cosponsored by Representatives Musser, Ryba, Miller, Hahn, Riley, Pocan, Freese, Gronemus, Coggs, Berceau, Meyerhofer, Pettis, Waukau, Kreibich and Kedzie.

March 9, 2000

Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

March 30, 2000

Failed to concur in pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

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Committee on Campaigns and Elections

Senate Bill 263

Relating to: mass media activities in relation to election campaigns.

By Senators Clausing, Burke and Wirch; cosponsored by Representatives Travis and Lassa.

November 5, 1999 Referred to committee on Campaigns and Elections.

March 30, 2000 Failed to concur in pursuant to Senate Joint Resolution 1.

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